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In re the Application of

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Group Art Unit: 2878

Application No.: 10/041,633

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Docket No.: 111632

For: METHOD FOR PROCESSING CELLS

PETITION FOR ACCEPTANCE OF COLOR DRAWINGS
AND PHOTOGRAPHS UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.84(a)(b)

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that color photographs and drawings be accepted in this application. Color drawings are necessary to illustrate the inventive aspects described in the specification for processing a living sample by irradiating a cell or living tissue with a laser beam through an optical fiber.

Attached to this Petition are the following:

1. Our Check No. 135068 in the amount of \$130.00 for the fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(h). The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is authorized to debit Deposit Account No. 15-0461 in the amount necessary to effect filing of this Petition;
2. Three sets of color drawings and photographs;
3. A black and white photocopy of the color photographs and drawings; and
4. A Preliminary Amendment amending the specification to refer to the color drawings and photographs.

In view of the foregoing, acceptance of color drawings and photographs in this application satisfies the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.184.

Respectfully submitted,



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ATTACHMENTS:

3 Sets of Color Photographs
Black and White Photocopies
Preliminary Amendment

Date: October 2, 2002

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